This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-18. (Previously cancelled without prejudice).

19. (Currently Amended) A method of selling goods through an electronic blind supply open commerce <u>computer</u> business system comprising:

receiving product information for said goods that is uploaded by suppliers over a network to said <u>computer business</u> system which includes product manufacturer information, product identification information and a price specified by said suppliers for said goods;

<u>automatically</u> marking up said price specified by said suppliers in said <u>computer</u> system to a sales price;

<u>automatically</u> generating entries in said <u>computer business</u> system that include said sales price, said product identification information, said product manufacturer information and listings of goods by said suppliers that distinguish said goods listed by said suppliers, but that do not reveal the identity of said suppliers so that said suppliers remain anonymous to purchasers at all times while said goods are listed on said <u>computer business</u> system and after said goods are sold;

making said listings of goods available to said purchasers <u>on said computer business system</u> through a network connection to allow said purchasers to purchase said goods at said sales price <u>over said network</u>;

<u>automatically</u> accepting a sales order <u>on said computer business system</u> from a qualified purchaser that includes a purchase price that satisfies said sales price;

<u>automatically</u> generating a purchase order <u>on said computer business system</u> in response to said sales order that includes said product information and said price specified by said supplier for said goods;

electronically transmitting said purchase order to said supplier <u>from said computer system</u>;

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completing the sale of said goods using said electronic blind supply open

commerce business computer system.

~~accepting a supplier invoice from said supplier that is generated in~~

~~response to said purchase order, said purchase order being transmitted by said~~

~~system to said supplier;~~

~~generating a purchaser invoice from said supplier invoice, said purchaser~~

~~invoice including said sales price and any applicable shipping and handling~~

~~charges;~~

~~transmitting said purchaser invoice to said purchaser;~~

~~accepting payment from said qualified buyer;~~

~~accepting shipment information from said supplier that confirms shipment~~

~~of said goods from said supplier to said qualified purchaser in accordance with~~

~~said purchase order;~~

~~paying said supplier in accordance with said supplier invoice.~~

20.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19 wherein said process of completing the sale of said goods ~~paying said supplier~~ comprises the process of paying said supplier after said purchaser accepts said goods.

21.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 20 wherein said process of completing the sale of said goods ~~accepting shipment information~~ comprises the process of accepting a shipping tracking number, shipping method, and ship date.

22.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 21 wherein said process of completing the sale of said goods ~~accepting payment~~ comprises the process of accepting payment by credit card.

23.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 21 wherein said process of completing the sale of said goods ~~accepting payment~~ comprises the process of accepting payment in an escrow account set up for said supplier.

24.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 21 wherein said process of completing the sale of said goods ~~accepting payment~~ comprises the process of accepting an electronic funds transfer.

25.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 21 wherein said process of completing the sale of said goods accepting payment comprises the process of accepting a mailed check.

26.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19 wherein said process of automatically generating entries a listing in said system comprises the process of generating a listing of goods that includes product information comprising the manufacturer of the goods and a part number.

27.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 26 wherein said product information further comprises a product description, product specifications, and product category information.

28.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 27 further comprising the process of automatically providing product information in an aggregated, searchable database and through links to third party websites in said computer business system.

29.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 26 further comprising the process of automatically supplying information about the performance of said supplier including fill grade and fill rate in said computer business system.

30.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 28 wherein said searchable database automatically provides the ability to search in-stock products, products available by geographical region and a cross reference by product number.

31.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 29 wherein making said listing available to said purchasers through a network comprises making said listing available to said purchasers through the Internet.

32.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 31 wherein said purchasers access said system over the Internet through a third party marketplace.

33.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 31 wherein said purchasers access said system over an intranet of said purchaser.

34.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 31 wherein said purchasers access said system via a corporate procurement system of said purchaser.

35.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19 wherein said process of completing the sale of said goods electronically transmitting said purchase orders comprises

the process of automatically faxing said purchase orders <u>from said computer business system</u>.

36.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19 wherein said process of <u>completing the sale of said goods</u> ~~electronically transmitting said purchase orders~~ comprises the process of <u>automatically</u> e-mailing ~~said~~ purchase orders <u>from said computer business system</u>.